The Berlin Chamber of Commerce

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To Members of the Finance Committee:

These proposals before the Finance Committee would substantially increase our business costs and make it much harder for us to continue doing business in Connecticut. Specifically, we are opposing:

HB-6348, HB-6349, HB-6350, SB-807 and SB-815

I am writing to voice my opposition to these tax bills before you which would seriously damage Connecticut's economy and our ability to compete and succeed here.

These bills would create a hardship for our member businesses and result in job losses.

We urge you to reject these proposals and work with the business community to encourage economic development and job creation in Connecticut. Thank you.

My name is Katherine A. Fuechsel, Executive Director at the Berlin Chamber of Commerce.

Respectfully,

Katherine A. Fuechsel